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Application No.: 09/557,250

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Method and Apparatus for Registering and Storing Dependencies among

Applications and Objects in a Computer System, and for Communicating the

Dependencies to a Recovery or Backup Service

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the aboveidentified application.

1.	Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114					
		Previou	asly submitted			
(WEKONEN	00000102	_	Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on . (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). 09557250			

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			Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief on .	rief previously		
			Other:			
	\boxtimes	Enclosed				
		\boxtimes	Amendment/Reply under 37 CFR § 1.116			
			Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)			
			Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)			
			Other:			
2.	Miscellaneous					
	Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested unde CFR §1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall exceed three (3) months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)					

FEE CALCULATION:

			SMALL ENTITY		NOT SMALL ENTITY		
RCE BA	SIC FILING FEI			\$385.00	\$	\$770.00	\$770.00
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER RCE	HIGHEST NO. PAID FOR	EXTRA				
TOTAL CLAIMS	24	27 (20 MINIMUM)	0	\$9 EACH	\$	\$18 EACH	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	4 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$43 EACH	\$	\$86 EACH	\$ 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT			\$145	\$	\$290	\$	
ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME			\$55	\$	\$110	\$	
☐ TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME			\$210	\$	\$420	\$	
☐ THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME			\$475	\$	\$950	\$	
☐ FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME			\$740	\$	\$1480	\$	
FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME (May only be taken when filing RCE in lieu of Appeal Brief)			\$1005	\$	\$2010	\$	
LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID			minus	(\$)	minus	(\$)	
☐ TERMINAL DISCLAIMER			\$55	\$	\$110	\$	
TOTAL FEE DUE				\$		\$770.00	

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\boxtimes	Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3050 in the amount of <u>\$770.00</u> . This shee is attached in duplicate.
	A response to the dated was due on . Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time period for response from to and through comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of month(s).
	A Notice of Appeal was filed . An Appeal Brief is due on Applicants are filing this Request for Continued Examination in lieu of this Appeal Brief. Petition is hereby made to extend the time period from and through comprising a total extension of month(s).
	The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
	The Commission is hereby authorized to charge payment of the above fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposi Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is attached in duplicate.
	NY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including a payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States

Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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